

# 만성두드러기

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# Urticaria

VS

# Angioedema

- Sharply circumscribed superficial **central swelling** of variable size and shape, almost invariably **surrounded by reflex erythema**
- **Itching** or sometimes burning sensation
- Fleeting nature, with the skin returning to its normal appearance, usually **within 30 min to 24 h**
- Pronounced **erythematous or skin-colored deep swelling** in the lower dermis and subcutis or mucous membranes
- Tingling, burning, tightness, and sometimes **pain** rather than itch
- Resolution slower than that of wheals (can take **up to 72 h**)

# Definition of Urticaria

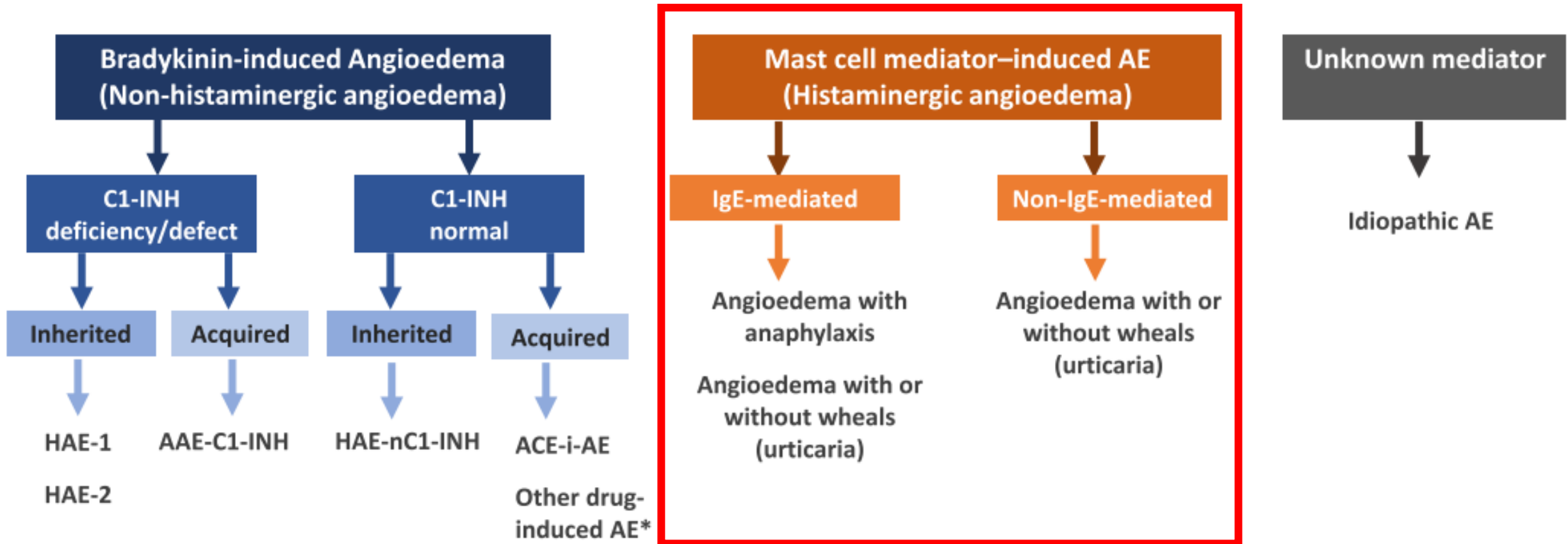
**Urticaria** is a condition characterized by the development of **wheals (hives)**, **angioedema** or both.

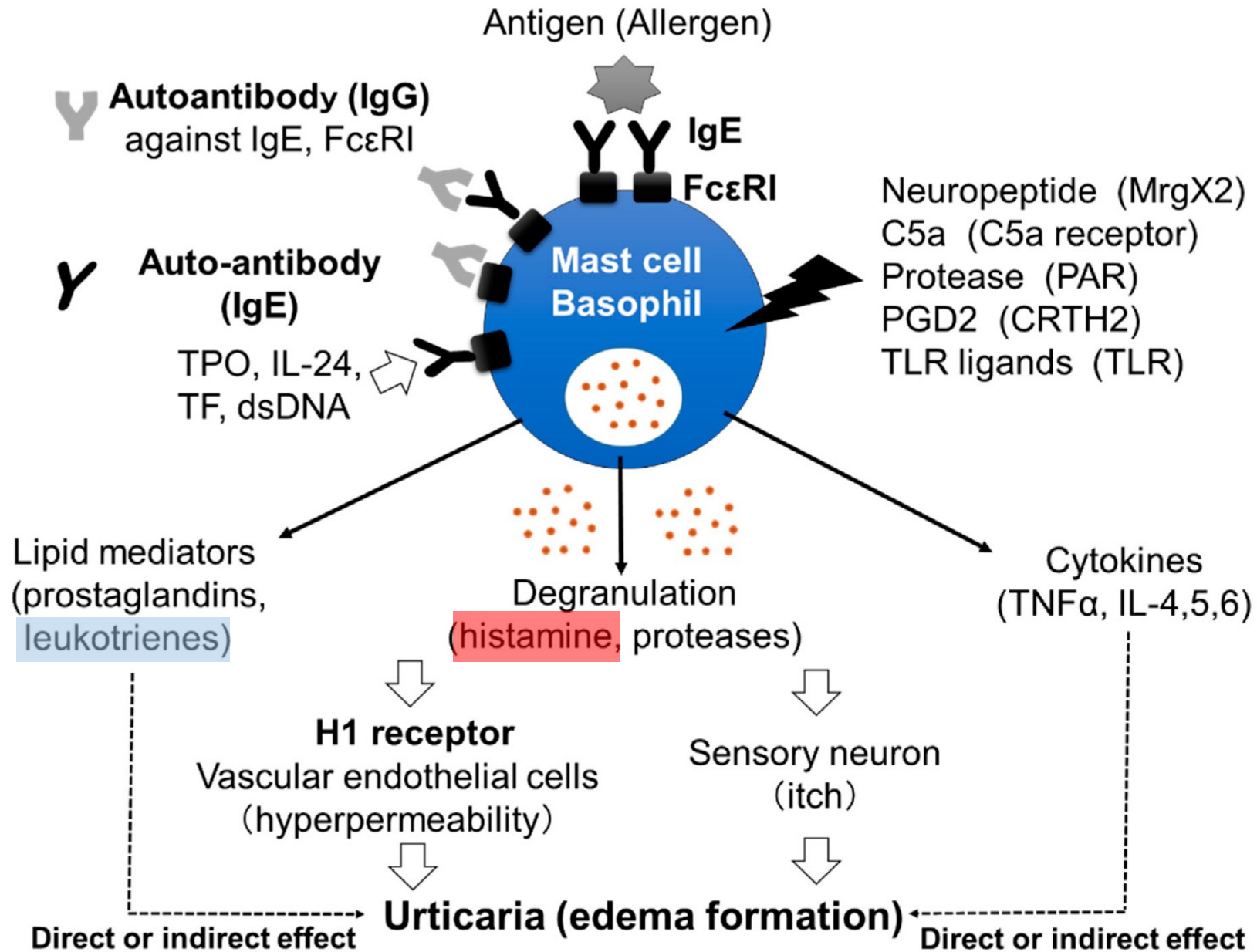
- Chronic spontaneous urticaria (CSU)
  - Urticaria-predominant phenotype in 50% of patients
  - Urticaria and angioedema in 40% of patients
  - **Mainly angioedema in 10%**



In 2017, **isolated spontaneous angioedema without urticaria** was included in the definition of **CSU** for the first time

# Classification of angioedema





# Urticaria: Acute vs Chronic

## • Acute

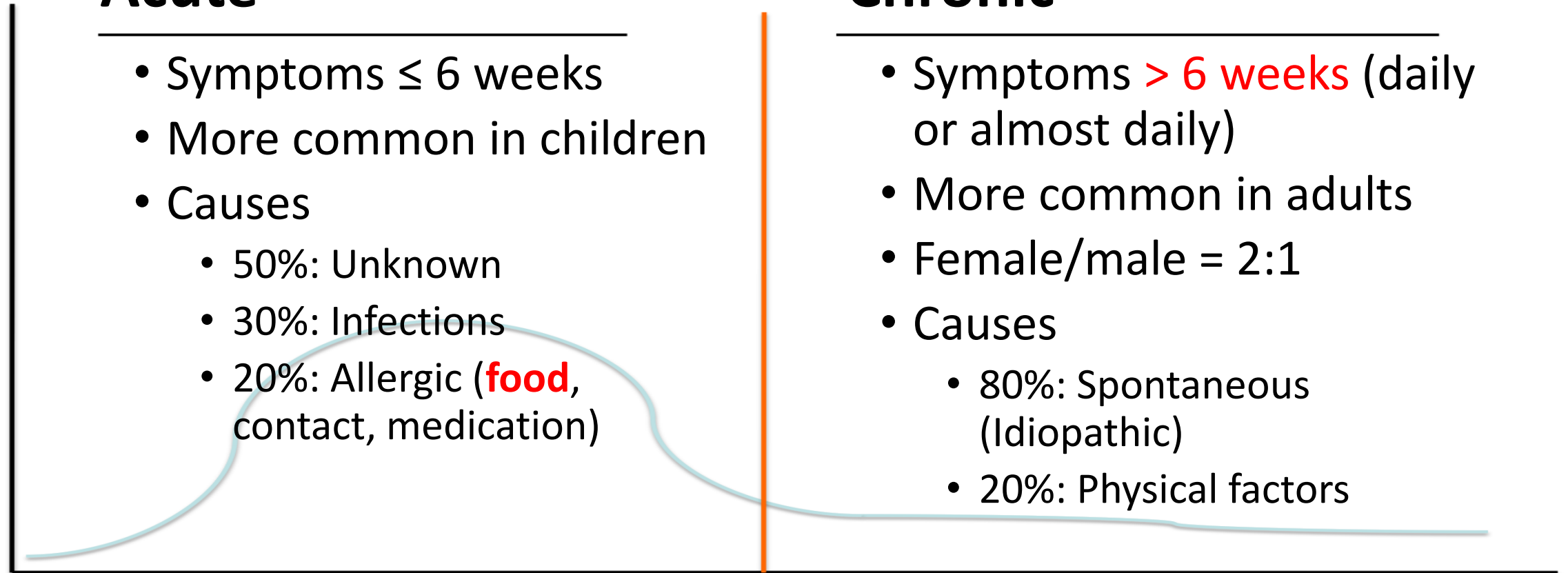
- Symptoms  $\leq 6$  weeks
- More common in children
- Causes
  - 50%: Unknown
  - 30%: Infections
  - 20%: Allergic (**food**, contact, medication)

## • Chronic

- Symptoms **> 6 weeks** (daily or almost daily)
- More common in adults
- Female/male = 2:1
- Causes
  - 80%: Spontaneous (Idiopathic)
  - 20%: Physical factors

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**6 weeks**

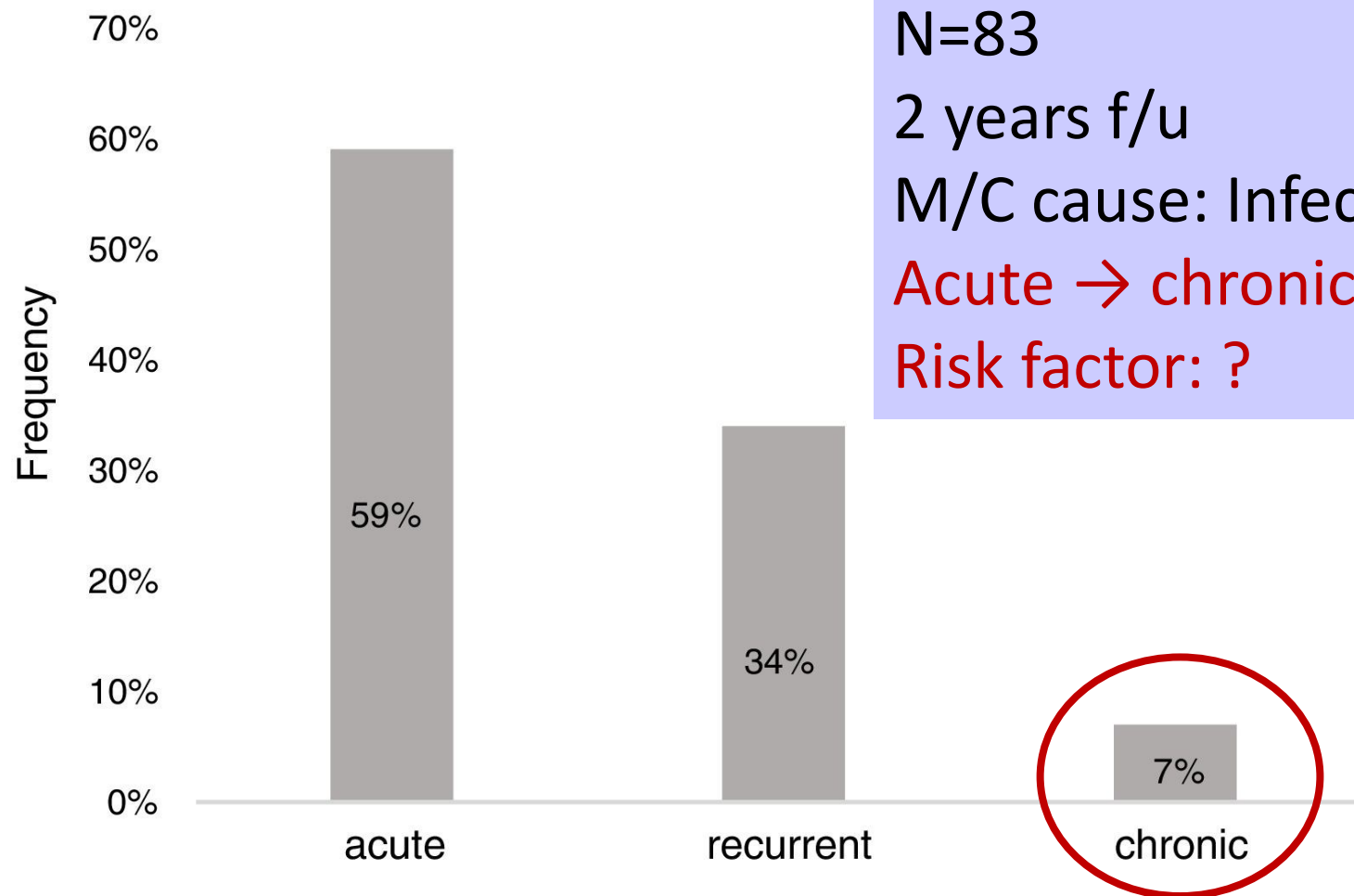


**급성두드러기 환자중에  
얼마나 만성으로 가나요?**

# Predictive factors for progression to chronicity or recurrence after the first attack of acute urticaria in preschool-age children



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N=83

2 years f/u

M/C cause: Infection(55.4%, URTI)

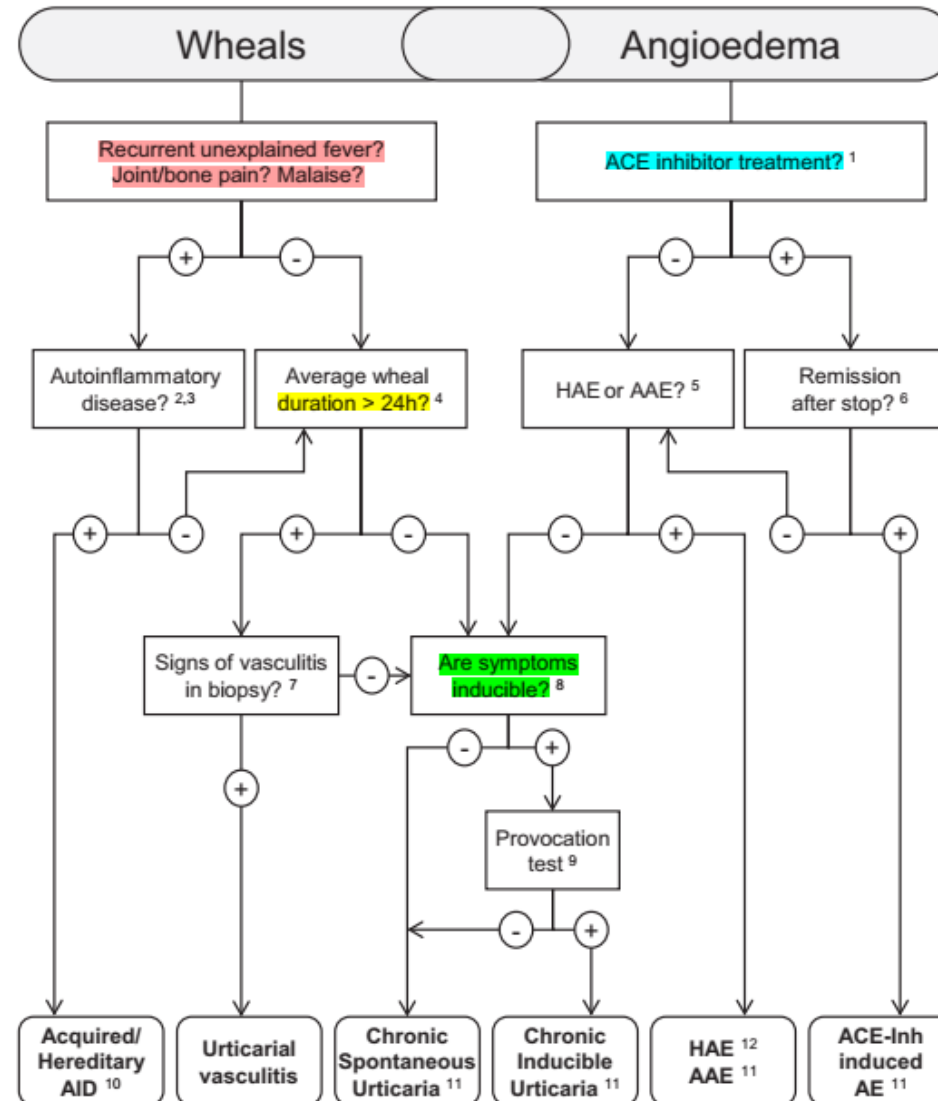
Acute → chronic: 7%

Risk factor: ?

# Diagnosis of Urticaria

- Detailed **history taking** and physical examination
- Patients' documentation of signs and symptoms (including **pictures**)
  - Appearance of the lesions: wheals, evanescent, **without scarring**, **< 24 hours** in duration +/- angioedema
  - Associated features: Itch (main feature), burning (not typical)
  - **Extra-cutaneous features** → **possible systemic disease**
  - Triggers, timing of onset of symptoms, duration, response to treatment
  - Concomitant medication, diseases, atopic history

# Diagnostic algorithm for chronic wheals and/or angioedema



# Diagnostic workup in Spontaneous Urticaria

Types	Subtypes	Routine diagnostic tests (recommended)	Extended diagnostic programme <sup>a</sup> (based on history) – For identification of underlying causes or eliciting factors and for ruling out possible differential diagnoses if indicated
Spontaneous urticaria	Acute spontaneous urticaria CSU	None  Differential blood count. ESR and/or CRP IgG anti-TPO and total IgE <sup>e</sup>	None <sup>b</sup>  Avoidance of suspected triggers (eg, drugs); diagnostic tests for (in no preferred order): (i) infectious diseases (eg, <i>Helicobacter pylori</i> ); (ii) functional autoantibodies (eg, basophil test); (iii) thyroid gland disorders (thyroid hormones and autoantibodies); (iv) allergy (skin tests and/or allergen avoidance test, eg, avoidance diet); (v) concomitant CIndU, see below <sup>45</sup> ; (vi) severe systemic diseases (eg, tryptase); and (vii) other (eg, lesional skin biopsy)

The only exception is the suspicion of acute urticaria due to a **type I food allergy in sensitized patients** or **drug hypersensitivity**, especially for non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs (NSAIDs)

## • **BOX 39.4** Suggested Testing for Chronic Urticaria and Angioedema of Unknown Cause

### Basic Tests

- Routine screening
  - None
- Optional tests based on history and physical
  - Physical challenges
  - Complete blood count with differential
  - Erythrocyte sedimentation rate or C-reactive protein
  - Thyroid-stimulating hormone, antimicrosomal antibodies, antithyroglobulin antibodies
  - Stool for ova and parasites
  - C4, C1INH antigen, C1INH function

### Discretionary Tests Based on Evaluation

- If vasculitis is suspected
  - Antinuclear antibody
  - Skin biopsy
  - CH<sub>50</sub>, C3, C4
  - Rheumatoid factor
  - Cryoglobulins
- If hereditary HAE-nIC1INH is suspected:
  - *F12* mutation

# Diagnostic workup in Chronic Inducible Urticaria (CIndU)

Disorder	Trigger Factor	Test
Dermographism	Stroking, scratching, pressure	Stroking with tip of pen
Delayed pressure urticaria	Pressure 30 min to 12 hrs	Shoulder sling with 7 kg
Cholinergic urticaria	BT↑: exercise, hot water, emotion	Exercise or warm bath
Cold contact urticaria	Exposure to cold objects	Ice cube test
Heat contact urticaria	Exposure to warm objects	Application of warm water
Exercise-induced urticaria	Exercise activity	Treadmill test
Aquagenic urticaria	Contact with water	Application water for 30 min
Solar urticaria	Exposure to sunlight	Exposure to UVA, UVB or light
Vibratory urticaria	Exposure to vibrating machinery	Vortex held to skin for 10 min

# **Management of Chronic Urticaria**

# H1-antihistamines

- 2nd generation H1-antihistamines > 1st generation H1-antihistamines
- Points to consider
  - Side effects (sedation, decreased cognitive, performance, dryness of the mouth and eyes, constipation, Worsened urinary retention , and potential provocation of narrow-angle glaucoma)
  - Lowest licensed age

# 2nd generation H1-antihistamines

- Azelastine (아젤틴) - 6세 이하 금기
- Bepotastine (타리온, 베리온) - 소아 안전성 확립 x
- Cetirizine (지르텍) - 2세 미만 금기, Levocetirizine (씨잘) - 1세 미만 금기
- Loratadine(클라리틴) - 2세 미만 금기, Desloratadine (에리우스) - 1세 미만 금기
- Ebastine (에바스텔) - 2세 미만 안전성 확립 x
- Fexofenadine (알레그라) - 6세 미만 안전성 확립 x
- Ketotifen (자디텐, 케토티펜) - 6개월 미만 용량 x
- Mizolastine (미졸렌) - 12세 미만 안전성 확립 x
- Rupatadine (루파핀정) - 12세 미만 안전성 확립 x

## The EAACI/WAO Guideline

## The AAAAI/ACAAI Guideline

Basic treatment: Avoidance of triggers and relevant physical factors if physical urticaria/angioedema is present,

Consider referral  
to specialist

Start with standard dose 2nd generation H<sub>1</sub>-AH

If needed:

Increase 2nd generation H<sub>1</sub>-AH dose (up to 4x)

If inadequate control on high dose:  
After 2-4 weeks or earlier,  
if symptoms are intolerable

Add on to 2nd generation H<sub>1</sub>-AH: omalizumab <sup>b</sup>

If needed:

Increase dose and/or shorten interval <sup>c</sup>

If inadequate control:  
Within 6 months or earlier,  
if symptoms are intolerable

Add on to 2nd generation H<sub>1</sub>-AH: ciclosporin <sup>d</sup>

Should be performed  
under the supervision of  
a specialist

<sup>a</sup> Second line and third line treatment apply only for CU

<sup>b</sup> 300mg every 4 weeks

<sup>c</sup> Up to 600mg every 2 weeks

<sup>d</sup> Up to 5mg/kg body weight

Monotherapy with sgAH

assess for patient's  
tolerance and efficacy

One or more of the following:

- Dose advancement of sgAH used in Step 1
- Add another sgAH
- Add H<sub>2</sub>-antagonist
- Add LTRA
- Add fgAH to be taken at bedtime

assess for patient's  
tolerance and efficacy

Dose advancement of potent antihistamine  
(e.g. hydroxyzine or doxepin) as tolerated

assess for patient's  
tolerance and efficacy

Add an alternative agent

- Omalizumab or ciclosporine\*
- other anti-inflammatory agents,  
immunosuppressants, or biologics

# The KAAACI/KDA Evidence-Based Practice Guidelines for Chronic Spontaneous Urticaria in Korean Adults and Children: Part 1. Definition, Methodology and First-line Management

## H1AH as the first-line therapy for CSU

Regimen	Recommendation (evidence level)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Non-sedating H1AH</b> (than sedating H1AH)</li> <li>• <b>Up-dosing H1AHs up to 4-fold</b> (if not improved with standard dose H1AH)</li> <li>• Combination of H1AHs (if not improved with standard dose H1AH)</li> <li>• Regular use of H1AHs (than as needed use)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Strong (moderate)</b></li> <li>• <b>Strong (low)</b></li> <li>• Conditional (very low)</li> <li>• Conditional (very low)</li> </ul>

## Add-on therapy (if not improved by H1AHs)

Drugs	Recommendation (evidence level)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Omalizumab</b></li> <li>• Cyclosporine</li> <li>• H2AHs</li> <li>• LTRAs</li> <li>• Dapsone</li> <li>• Methotrexate</li> <li>• Phototherapy</li> <li>• <b>Systemic corticosteroids</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Strong (moderate)</b></li> <li>• Conditional (low)</li> <li>• Conditional (low)</li> <li>• Conditional, <i>against</i> (low)</li> <li>• Conditional, <i>against</i> (low)</li> <li>• Conditional, <i>against</i> (very low)</li> <li>• Conditional (very low)</li> <li>• <b>Strong, <i>against</i> (very low)</b></li> </ul>

**항히스타민제는**

**매일 or 증상이 있을때만**

**먹는다.**

**다른 종류의  
2세대 항히스타민제는  
동시에 or 따로  
먹는다.**

**만성두드러기에서  
증상 조절을 위해  
항히스타민제를 언제까지  
사용해야 하나요?**

# Urticaria Control Test (UCT): 0-16 점

**Instructions:** You have urticaria. The following questions should help us understand your current health situation. Please read through each question carefully and choose an answer from the five options that *best fits* your situation. Please limit yourself to *the last four weeks*. Please *don't think about the questions for a long time*, and do remember to answer *all questions* and to provide *only one answer* to each question.

1. How much have you suffered from the **physical symptoms of the urticaria (itch, hives (welts) and/or swelling)** in the last four weeks?

☐ very much    ☐ much    ☐ somewhat    ☐ a little    ☐ not at all

2. How much was your **quality of life** affected by the urticaria in the last 4 weeks?

☐ very much    ☐ much    ☐ somewhat    ☐ a little    ☐ not at all

3. How often was the **treatment** for your urticaria in the last 4 weeks **not enough** to control your urticaria symptoms?

☐ very often    ☐ often    ☐ sometimes    ☐ seldom    ☐ not at all

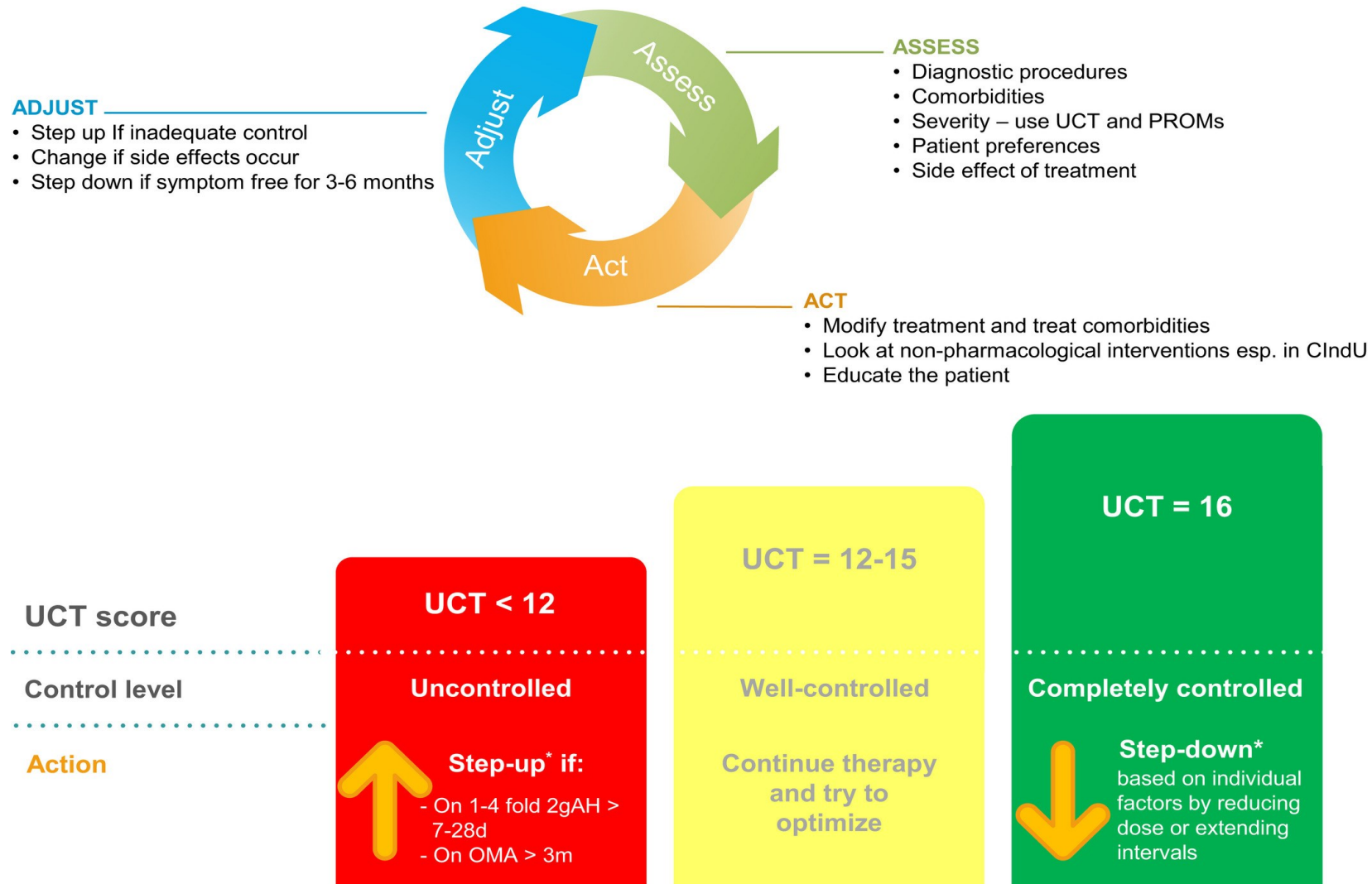
4. **Overall**, how well have you had your urticaria **under control** in the last 4 weeks?

☐ not at all    ☐ a little    ☐ somewhat    ☐ well    ☐ very well

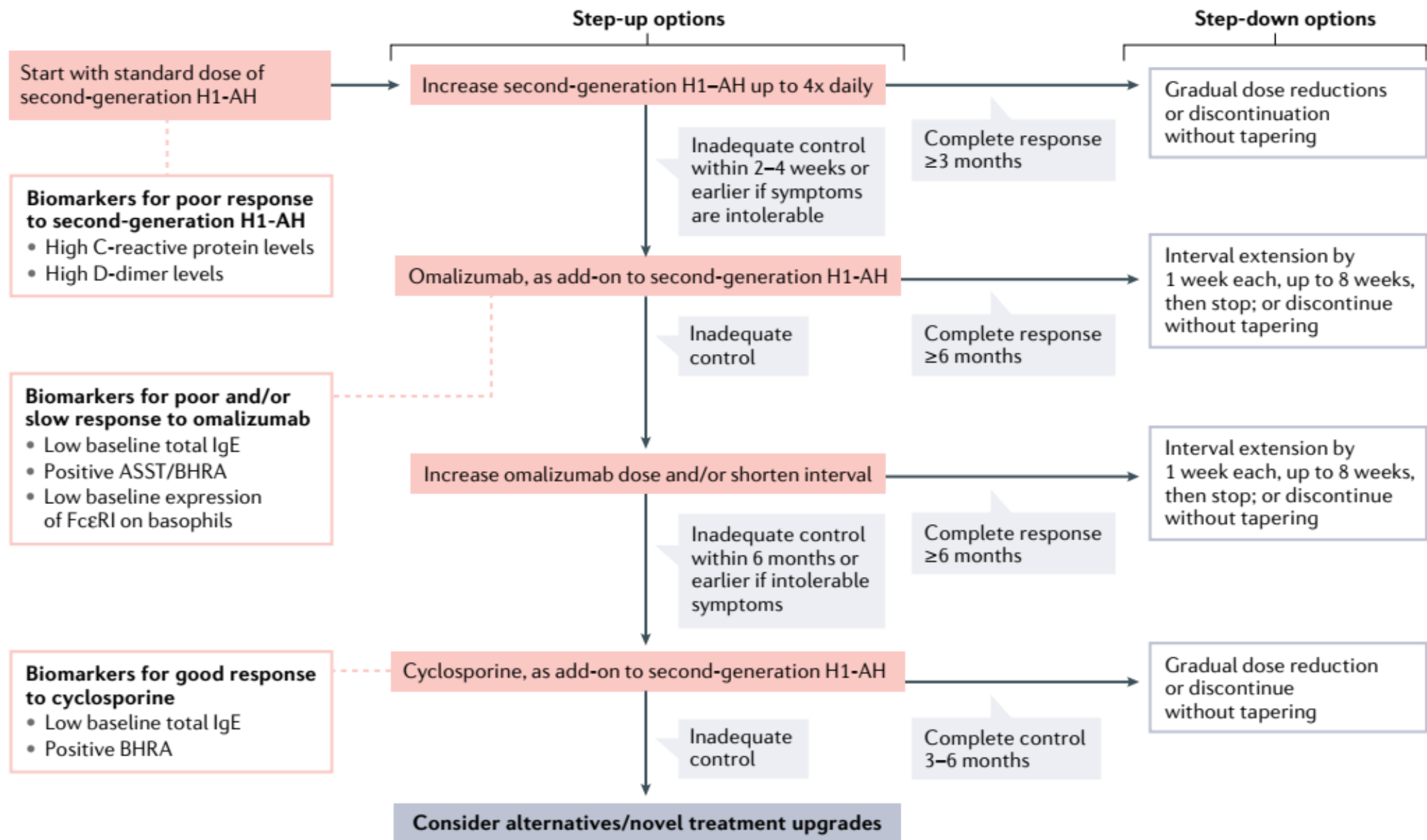
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## Chronic urticaria: Management decisions and treatment adjustments\*



\* For CIndU individual decisions are based on estimated trigger exposure (e.g. cold-urticaria in winter)



**만성두드러기 증상 조절에  
더 효과적인 항히스타민제가  
있나요?**

**Table I.** Efficacy of histamine H<sub>1</sub> receptor antagonist randomized, double-blind, placebo-controlled studies

Study	N	Duration, weeks	Treatment	Comments
Breneman et al <sup>9</sup>	187	4	Cetirizine 10 mg vs astemizole* 10 mg vs placebo	Cetirizine was superior to astemizole in reducing the number of wheals Both agents were statistically superior to placebo at relieving CSU symptoms based on weekly patient rating
Nettis et al <sup>10</sup>	100	6	Levocetirizine 5 mg vs placebo	Complete symptom resolution in 53% of patients taking levocetirizine at the study endpoint compared with 0% in the placebo group
Finn et al <sup>11</sup> and Nelson et al <sup>12</sup>	489 and 418	4	Fexofenadine 20, 60, 120, and 240 mg† and placebo	Same study design for both trials Efficacy results were similar in the 60-, 120-, and 240-mg groups. All dosages were statistically superior to placebo and the 20-mg group in reducing mean pruritus score, mean number of wheals, and mean TSS when compared to baseline values
Kaplan et al <sup>7</sup>	255	4	Fexofenadine 180 mg vs placebo	Once-daily dosing of fexofenadine was superior to placebo for improvement in mean number of wheals, pruritus severity scores, and in TSS
Handa et al <sup>13</sup>	97	4	Cetirizine 10 mg vs fexofenadine 180 mg	Cetirizine showed superior overall efficacy, determined by subject rating on an analog scale Complete symptom resolution in 52% of patients taking cetirizine at the study endpoint compared with 4.4% in the fexofenadine group
Leynadier et al <sup>14</sup>	61	4	Mizolastine 10 mg vs loratadine 10 mg	Both agents had a similar reduction in urticarial episodes Mizolastine was associated with a greater reduction in the number of wheals compared to loratadine
Ortonne et al <sup>3</sup>	137	6	Desloratadine 5 mg vs placebo	Desloratadine was superior to placebo in improving pruritus scores

**항히스타민제 용량에 따라  
증상이 조절되는 환자의 비율은  
어떻게 되나요?**

# Refractory CSU?

Standard doses of H1-antihistamines:

50% non-responders<sup>1</sup> (50)



Updosing of H1-antihistamines:

38.6% non-responders<sup>2</sup> (19)



Omalizumab:

32% non/partial-responders<sup>3</sup> (6)

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# A stepwise approach in the management of chronic spontaneous urticaria in children

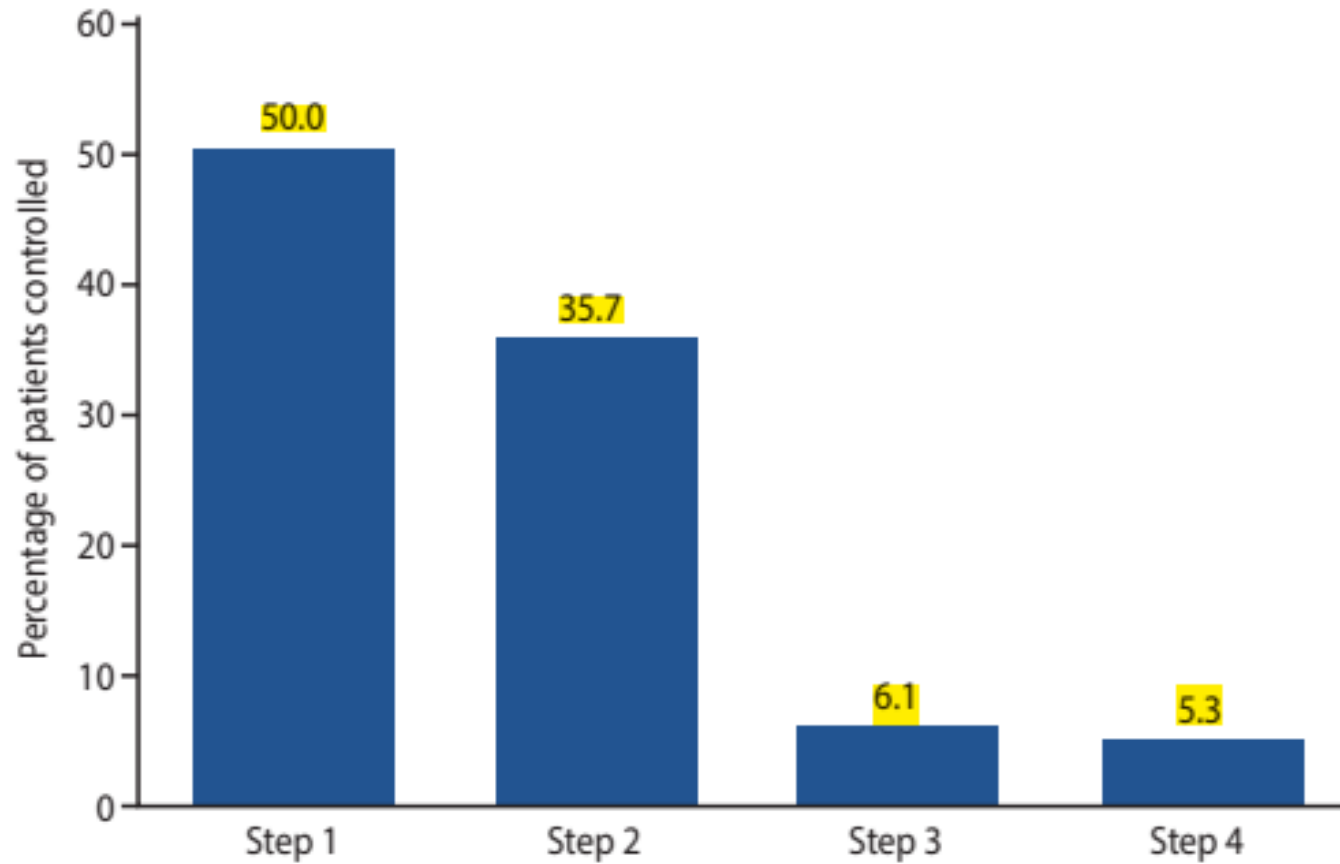
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**Table 1.** Algorithm for weight based antihistamine dosing titration in children

Antihistamine	Child's weight (kg)	Child's age (yr)	Total daily recommended dose (mg)			
			Step 1	Step 2	Step 3	Step 4
Cetirizine <sup>*</sup>	≤9.9		2.5	5	7.5	15
	10–19.9		5	10	15	20
	20–29.9		7.5	15	22.5	30
	≥30		10	20	30	40
Levocetirizine <sup>†</sup>	≤9.9		1.25	2.5	3.75	5
	10–19.9		2.5	5.0	7.5	10
	20–29.9		3.75	7.5	11.25	15
	≥30		5	10	15	20
Desloratadine <sup>‡</sup>	≤9.9		1	2.0	3	4
	10–19.9		1.25	2.5	3.75	5
	20–29.9		2.5	5	7.5	10
	≥30		5	10	15	20
Fexofenadine <sup>§</sup>		0.5–<2	30	60	90	120
		2–11	60	120	180	240
		≥12	120 (180)	240	360	360

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# Efficacy and tolerability of the up dosing of sgAH in children with CU

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**Chronic urticaria in children can be controlled effectively with up dosing second-generation antihistamines**



Standard dose ~ up to fourfold dose  
92%

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ORIGINAL ARTICLE

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**Efficacy and tolerability of the up dosing of second-generation non-sedating H1 antihistamines in children with chronic spontaneous urticaria**

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Elio Novembre | Francesca Mori

Standard dose: 37.9%  
Double dose: 24.3%  
Threefold dose: 3.0%  
Fourfold dose: 1.5%  
Total : 66.7%

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# Leukotriene receptor antagonists as add-on therapy to antihistamines for urticaria: Systematic review and meta-analysis of randomized clinical trials

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# Leukotriene Receptor Antagonists as Add-on Therapy to Antihistamines for Urticaria

## A Systematic Review and Meta-Analysis of Randomized Clinical Trials



**34**  
RCTs



**3 324**  
Participants

**Age Groups**  
Pediatric + Adult

**Urticaria Type**  
Spontaneous + Inducible

### Intervention

LTRA Added to  
H1-Antihistamines



### Comparator

H1-Antihistamines  
Alone



Disease Activity



Sleep Disturbance



Itch Severity



Quality of Life



Wheal Severity



Adverse Events

### Main Findings

**GRADE**

#### Number Needed to Treat

Urticaria Disease  
Activity

**8**

Moderate Certainty

Similar findings for itch, wheal, and quality of life

#### Number Needed to Harm

Neuropsychiatric  
Adverse Events

**161**

Low Certainty

No difference in overall adverse events

### Conclusions

In the management of urticaria, the addition of leukotriene receptor antagonists to H1-antihistamines probably provides a small, potentially patient-unimportant, reduction in urticaria activity with little to no difference in overall adverse events. We observed similar findings for itch severity, wheal severity, and quality of life.

The risk of neuropsychiatric adverse events from leukotriene receptor antagonists in patients with urticaria is small and uncertain.

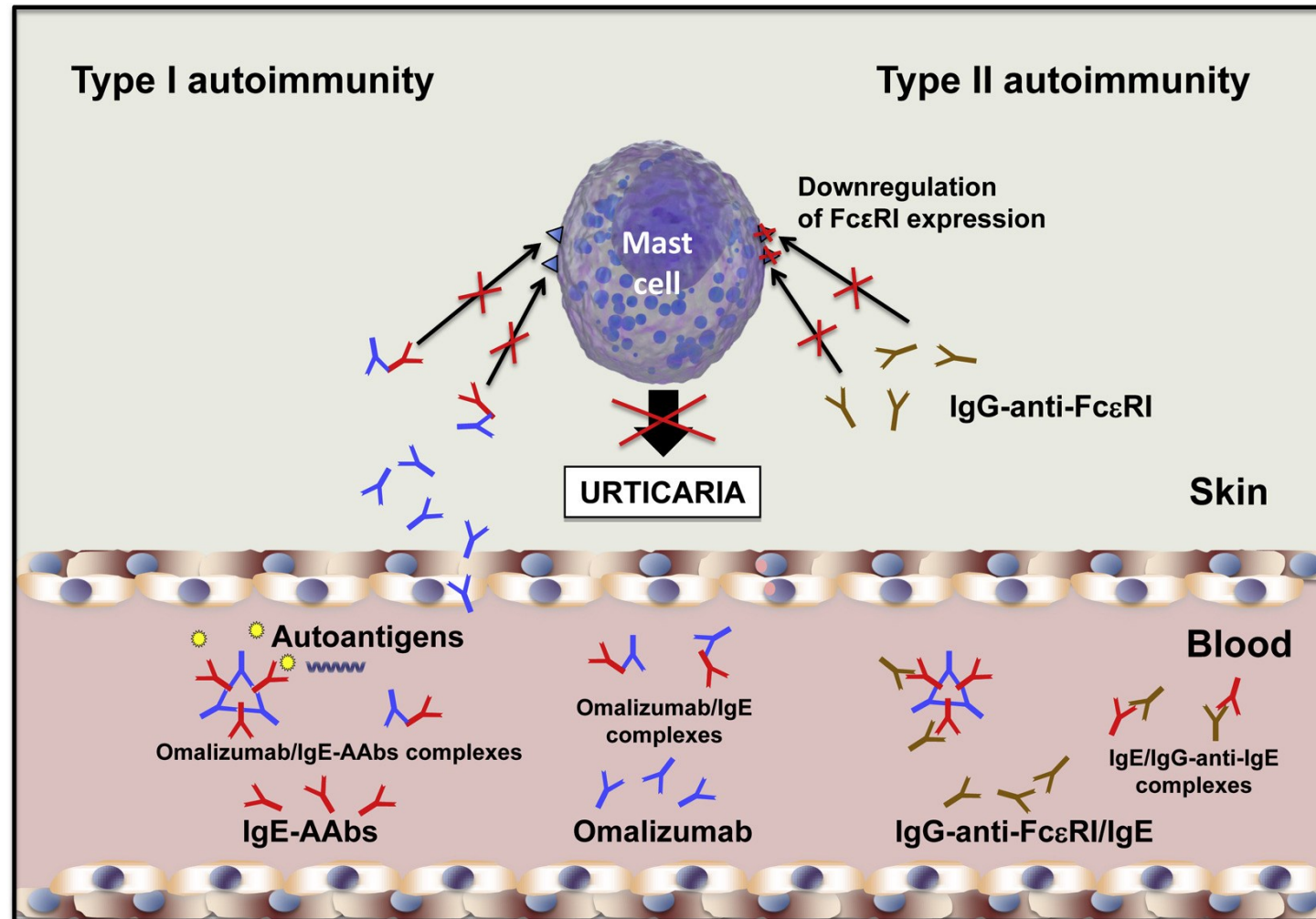


GRADE: Grading of Recommendations Assessment, Development and Evaluation;  
LTRA: Leukotriene receptor antagonist; RCT: Randomized controlled trial.



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# Omalizumab in children with CU(12세 이상)



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졸레어



옴리클로



**만성두드러기는 얼마나 오래  
지속되나요?**

# Natural History and Prognosis in children

- US: 19%, 54%, and 68% at 1, 3, and 5 years
- Italy: 29%, 55%, and 72% at 1, 3, and 5 years
- Turkey: 16.5%, 38.8%, and 50% at 1, 3, and 5 years
- Thailand: 18.5%, 54%, and 67.7% at 1, 3, and 5 years
- Canada: 10.3% per year
- Korea: 33.4%, 53.0%, and 71.2% at 0.5, 1, and 2 years

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# Targeted pathways and receptors in CSU

## IgE and activating receptors

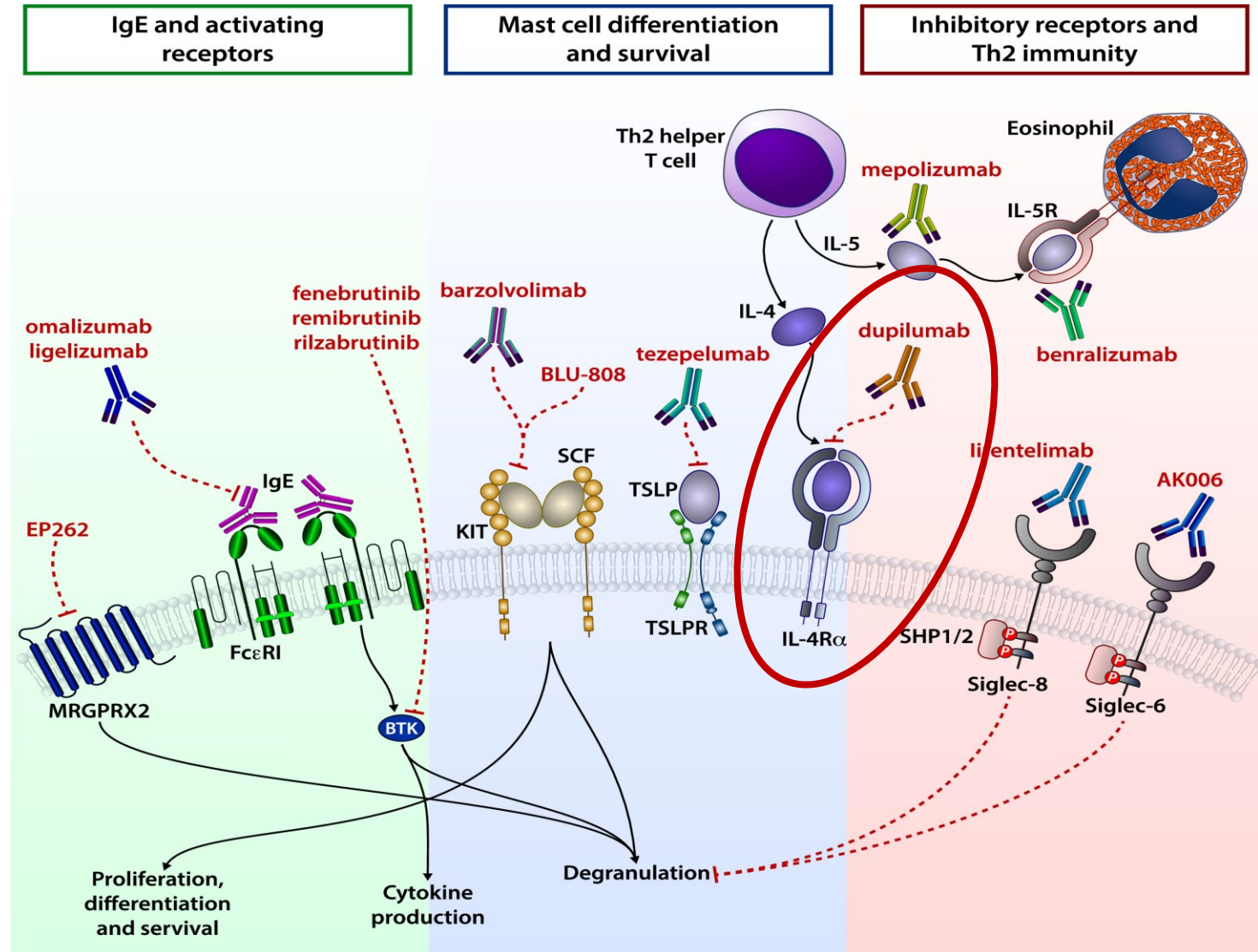
- Anti-IgE → Ligelizumab
- BTK inhibitors → Remibrutinib
- MRGPRX2 → EP262

## Mast cell differentiation and survival

- Anti-KIT → Barzolvolimab

## Inhibitory receptors and Th2 immune responses

- **Anti-IL-4 $\alpha$  → Dupilumab**
- Anti-Siglec 8 → Lirentelimab
- Anti-TSLP → Tezepelumab
- Anti-IL5R → Benralizumab



# **Dupilumab in patients with chronic spontaneous urticaria (LIBERTY-CSU CUPID): Two randomized, double-blind, placebo-controlled, phase 3 trials**

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# Dupilumab in patients with chronic spontaneous urticaria (LIBERTY-CSU CUPID): Two randomized, double-blind, placebo-controlled, phase 3 trials

## METHODS

### CUPID Study A

 **138**  
patients

Aged  $\geq 6$  years

Omalizumab-naïve



The primary and key secondary endpoints were changes from BL to week 24 in UAS7<sup>a</sup> and ISS7<sup>b</sup> respectively, or vice versa depending on regional regulatory requirements.

### CUPID Study B

 **108**  
patients

Aged  $\geq 12$  years

Omalizumab-intolerant/  
incomplete responders

## SAFETY OUTCOMES:

- Pooled safety data were consistent between dupilumab and placebo and with the known dupilumab safety profile.

 Placebo  
 Dupilumab

BL Baseline

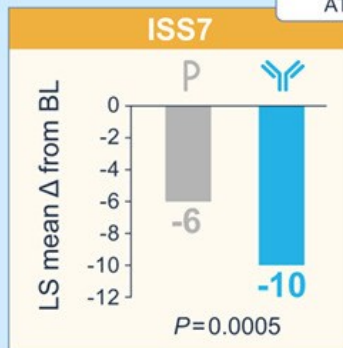
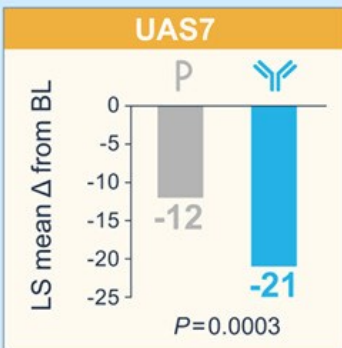
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LS Least squares

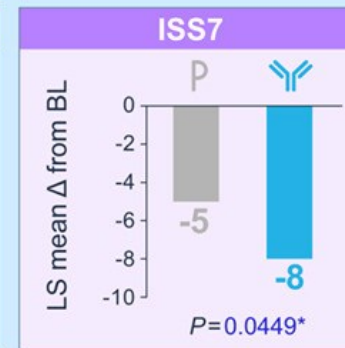
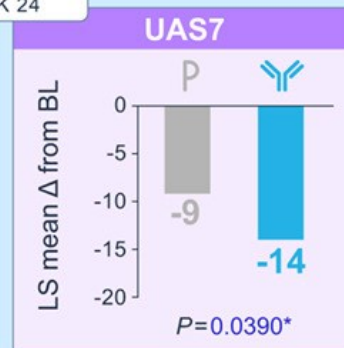
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## RESULTS

AT WEEK 24



In Study A, both UAS7 and ISS7 improved significantly with dupilumab vs placebo at week 24.



In Study B, UAS7 improved significantly (primary endpoint for EU countries), with a numerical, non-significant trend of improvement in ISS7 (primary endpoint for non-EU countries).

\*Significance was tested at alpha 0.043 after the protocol pre-specified efficacy statistical criteria for futility was met. UAS7 was statistically significant (primary endpoint for EU countries); ISS7 did not meet significance (primary endpoint for non-EU countries).



\*Japan approved dupilumab for CSU in February 2024.

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# Take home messages

- 문진과 신체진찰이 분류와 감별에 중요함(무분별한 알레르기 검사 x)
- 전신증상 동반, 24시간 이상 지속, 흔적을 남기는 경우 다른 질환 감별필요
- 2세대 항히스타민제 4배까지 증량 가능
- Cetirizine, Levocetirizine 이 효과 좋음
- 만성두드러기는 1년 지날때 마다 50%정도 관해
- 다른 종류 항히스타민제, H<sub>2</sub> antagonist, 류코트리엔 조절제 등 조합 가능